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SUBJECT: BRITISH AID TO ZAMBIA

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1. DURING ANGLO- AMERICAN CONSULTATIONS ON AFRICA MARCH 15-16, BRITISH GAVE BRIEF SUMMARY OF THEIR CURRENT INTENTIONS REGARDING ASSISTANCE TO ZAMBIA IN WAKE OF RHODESIAN BORDER CLOSING. ODA UNDER SECRETARY FOR AFRICA, THOMAS, SAID THAT ALTHOUGH ZAMBIA HAD THE LARGEST NUMBER OF BRITISH " SUPPLEMENTARY" PERSONNEL IN AFRICA, IT DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR CAPITAL AID. HOWEVER, ODA HAS BEEN ABLE TO ARRANGE STERLING ONE MILLION SOFT LOAN FOR TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT OF LONG TERM USABILITY. THIS LOAN WOULD BE INTEREST- FREE, MATURING IN 25 YEARS WITH A SEVEN- YEAR GRACE PERIOD. TERMS HAVE NOT YET BEEN OFFERED TO ZAMBIANS BUT PROPOSAL IS NOW IN FINAL FORM AND DOES NOT REQUIRE PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL.

2. BRITISH ALSO SAID THAT CURRENTLY BENGUELA RAILROAD IS CAPABLE OF HAULING 35-40 THOUSAND TONS A MONTH UP AND 25-30 THOUSAND TONS A MONTH DOWN BETWEEN LUSAKA AND PORT OF LOBITO. BRITISH UNDERSTAND FROM INFORMAL CONTACT

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THAT BENGUELA IS PREPARED TO UP TOTAL TO 40 THOUSAND  
TONS PER MONTH IN BOTH DIRECTIONS. BRITISH DID NOT  
KNOW WHETHER THIS INFORMATION HAS YET BEEN CONVEYED TO  
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